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**LETTER**

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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Applications:

<u>Appl. No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group</u>
10/594,074	02/25/2006	1624
12/066,952	08/4/2008	1627
12/067,536	09/15/2008	1624
12/067,780	3/21/2008	1621
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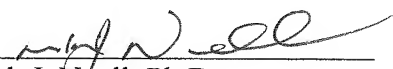
The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending U.S. applications may be deemed to relate to the present application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this instant application. Copies of the cited U.S. patent applications (specification, claims, and the drawings) are available on the USPTO's Image File Wrapper and, therefore, are not attached.

The above-listed co-pending applications are not to be construed as prior art. By bringing the above-listed applications to the attention of the Examiner, Applicants do NOT waive any confidentiality concerning the above-listed co-pending applications or this application. *See* MPEP § 101. Furthermore, if said applications should not mature into patents, such applications should be preserved in secrecy under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.14.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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